

## SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA SPECIAL STUDY Corps/DWR

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Special Study is to develop a region-wide plan for Corps involvement in the Delta that links with the planning efforts of others.

- The Special Study began with a cost-sharing agreement signed in August 1991 by the Corps, the State of California Department of Water Resources, and the State Reclamation Board.
- Phase I of the Special Study culminated in an Initial Report which described problems and opportunities for the Corps to improve or provide flood protection, fish and wildlife habitat, water quality through flood control, and navigation. Two Corps projects resulted from this report (West Delta and Prospect Island).
- Phase I also continued Corps involvement in the CALFED process, resulting in other Corps studies and projects.
- Phase II began in May 1997. Phase II studies will parallel the CALFED process, resulting in a Regional Planning Report. This study provides an overall framework to guide future Corps studies and projects in the Delta relating to flood control, environmental restoration, and navigation problems.
- Phase II includes: 1) construction of a levee test section of 2,000 feet, 2) prioritization of potential environmental restoration projects, and 3) a sample risk-based flood control analysis of 5 Delta islands (Sherman, Twitchell, Brannan-Andrus, Staten, and Tyler). We are currently putting together our public involvement program.
- This study aids Corps involvement in CALFED and is the sole source of Sacramento District involvement in San Francisco District's LTMS. It will also be a key study in the implementation of CALFED actions.
- This study has built strong partnerships between DWR and CALFED and the Corps in the last 8 years.

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